

J. P. Cook Planters' New President Faxon Bishop Is Named Vice-Pres Tone of Gathering Is Optimistic

Retiring Head of Association Declares That Territory Should Be Satisfied With Results Of The Last Season

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retary.

Optimistic was the tone taken by President Swanzy, the Planters' Association, at the thirty-second annual meeting of that body this morning. He declared that the territory has every reason to feel satisfied with the results of the season just past, but indicated that, owing to shortage of rainfall, the crop for the coming year will not be so large as that of the twelvemonth now ending.

Continuing the retiring president's address, he pointed out to his hearers that, owing to many conditions, chief among them being the increased cost of sugar production, the price which Hawaiian planters have been receiving for their product cannot be expected to longer unless consumption keeps pace with production.

On the reassembling of the Planters' Association at 1:40 this afternoon, President Swanzy announced that the directors had elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Joseph P. Cooke, president; E. Faxon Bishop, vice-president; W. O. Smith, secretary and treasurer; G. H. Robertson, auditor; L. J. Warren, assistant secretary.

Mr. Swanzy then said he gave great pleasure to ask Mr. Cooke to take the chair for the remainder of the proceedings.

President Cooke came forward amid applause and spoke in substance as follows: "I thank you, gentlemen, for the honor you have conferred upon me. I shall do the best I can in the situation, in circumstances which will be difficult the coming year. Last two presidents kept sugar at four cents throughout the past seasons."

"Strange to say, we are glad to see for one year that prices are sure to be lower this year. It shows that we are not a monopoly and it will bring the Hawaiian industry before some of the people at Washington in, perhaps, a favorable light."

"In view of the lower prices expected, I shall try to keep the prices of the association down as far as possible. The drafts upon you the past have been somewhat heavy in doing this, however, I do not think we ought to stultify the work of the territorial station in any way."

Nearly fifty members of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association assembled at its rooms at 10 o'clock this morning.

President Swanzy called the meeting to order, and then Assistant Secretary W. O. Smith called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved. The following were found present: August Ahrens, Frank A. Alexander, (Continued on Page 7)

PLANTERS' HEAD OPTIMISTIC

"The territory has every reason to be satisfied with the results of the past season."

"On the whole the labor conditions of our plantations have been reasonably good."

"The opinions formed by Secretary Fisher regarding conditions as he viewed them have not yet received publicity, but whatever they may be, the sentiment is widespread that the results of the investigations conducted by him with most admirable patience and discrimination, can be productive only of what will be for the territory's general welfare."

I. O. HALL SITE FACTIONAL FIGHT CASE IN TWO PARTS NOW THREATENS LOCAL BOURBONS

St. District Judge Dole this morning granted the motion of counsel for O. E. H. and Son and the Austin estate to separate hearings of the Makukala case involving the E. O. Hall site and the impounding of the Austin estate. The value of the Austin estate interest will begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The Austin estate owns the property and therefore has the leasehold interest. A court ruled that the features created in this instance showing the reasons of lessor and lessee are much different from those in the former Makukala case, where the interests of the two or more parties involved were not at any great variance.

He called a brief to be submitted by counsel E. O. Hall, setting forth the evidence which may be introduced showing the value of the company's business and the damages likely to accrue in the forced removal from the present location. This will be submitted before the E. O. Hall hearing is taken up.

Attorney Frank Thompson and Judge Wilde appeared this morning as counsel for O. E. H. and Son; Attorney Olanoff the Austin estate, and Deputy St. District Attorney Bittling for the government.

In the course of his argument Attorney Thompson opposing the government's plea for barred settlement on values—three weeks if possible—prophesied that the corner stone of the new federal building, proposed for the site in question, will not be laid in less than five or six years. For this reason, he argued, the present has of the government was unseemly and illogical.

Matrimonial Tangle Stirs Up Waialua

Certain residents of the Waialua school district, on Molokai, are dissatisfied with the action of the board of trustees, and in a rather ingeniously worded communication to the Commissioners of Public Instruction, who resumed their session at the senate chamber this morning, set forth their protest in such strong language that the commissioners' aided Cathcart should be transferred Superintendent W. T. Pope to select the principal's new berth and also is successor at Waialua.

The letter, signed by nineteen citizens of the district, is forth, among other things, that Mr. Cathcart had obtained a divorce from his wife last summer, and shortly thereafter, marrying another woman, took the second wife to live with the first. The people of the district, the letter said, "are greatly troubled in mind" by this unique procedure and pray for relief.

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U. S. CRUISERS AT SCENE OF HOSTILITIES

Tennessee and Montana Arrive at Smyrna and Beirut Respectively

THERE TO PROTECT LIVES AND AMERICAN PROPERTY
Greece Refuses to Permit the Provisioning of Besieged Cities

[Associated Press Cable]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2. Dispatches received here by the Navy department and transmitted to the State department this morning, announce the arrival in Smyrna and Beirut, respectively, of the cruisers Tennessee and Montana, where they were ordered to proceed to protect American lives and property. It is understood that under no circumstances other than the actual danger to Americans will the vessels act. Rear Admiral Knight, commanding, has strict instructions not to become involved in the complicated situation now existing in the Balkans.

WOULD STARVE FOEMEN

PARIS, France, Dec. 2.—The Greek minister here notified the government today that his government will not tolerate the idea of supplying the garrisons of such cities as Adrianople, Scutari and Janina with food, pending the settlement of the negotiations between the Turks and the Allies. The Greek government takes the stand that, if this should be allowed Turkey could continue the war indefinitely, and the ground already won by the Allies would have to be contended for once more.

READY TO FIGHT

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 2.—The Imperial Chancellor this morning notified the Reichstag that Germany is ready to "unleash the sword" if it becomes necessary to do so in order to defend Austria-Hungary against attacks from without. He added that he believes that the nation as a whole is almost unanimously back of this attitude on the part of the government.

Army May Saddle Hawaii With All Its Old Uniforms

If recommendations carried in the annual report of Quartermaster General Aleshire go into effect, Hawaii will be made the "goat" in the matter of another uniform change and enlisted men who have tried to smarten up their appearance at their own expense, will find that they have wasted their money. The suggestion is that this department be made the dumping ground for all the old style khaki uniforms left on hand, while the new olive drab cotton uniforms are issued to the rest of the army.

To quote from the extract of the report published in the Army and Navy Journal: "Tests during the maneuver division in Texas in 1911, in a company of the 17th U. S. Infantry showed that the olive drab cotton service uniform is much superior to the khaki cotton service uniform, formerly the standard for the army. The report suggests that to prevent a mix up in uniforms the old khaki garments, coats and breeches, be collected and shipped to San Francisco, thence to be issued to the troops in Hawaii, it seeming better to have a medley in one locality than throughout the service."

The men of all organizations here have been fretting under the annoyance of mismatched uniforms, there being now half a dozen different colors.

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FORMER SOLON ILL

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireles)
LIHUE, Kauai, Nov. 30.—J. K. Gandall, formerly a member of the Territorial House of Representatives, is critically ill at his home here.

CONGRESS OPENS SHORT SESSION NO TALK OF TARIFF CUTTING YET

'ECONOMY AXE' FOR MANY CITY EMPLOYEES SOON

Cutting out one position each from almost every city department, and slashing salaries among the employees that remain, the newly-elected supervisors are developing rapidly a "program of economy" that is sweeping in its reduction of overhead expenses in the city and county government.

The auditors, clerks, attorneys, engineers and treasurer's department will all feel the axe of economy wielded by the six Democrats, and as Andrew Cox, the lone Republican on the board, is also invited to the supervisory caucuses, he must perforce acquiesce in whatever is done. Cox is said to be generally in sympathy with the Democratic plans for reducing city salaries, although he is understood to have advised that the supervisors make the reductions and cut out various clerkships only after consultation with the heads of the departments so vitally concerned.

From rumors coming from the inner councils of the supervisors and talk in the city hall, it is apparent that a

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NO HAWAIIANS ON COMMITTEE, HE POINTS OUT

Judge A. S. Mahanui, of the district court at Wailua, made a trip to Honolulu yesterday afternoon to attend the mass meeting which was held at the Bijou theater last evening, and commented today on the fact that there were no Hawaiians appointed to serve on the committee which was named to cooperate with the police in the endeavor to put a stop to the various assaults upon young women and girls which have taken place in Honolulu during the last few months.

"I heartily agree with all that was said and done at the meeting," said the Judge, this afternoon, "but when the committee was appointed I noticed that there were no Hawaiians named to serve on it. Now it appears to me that the rumor will go abroad that it has been the Hawaiians who were the

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Berger Busy Teaching His Horns To Toot

Train up new band instruments in the way they should go, and when they are old, they will not depart from it!

So says Capt. Henry Berger, who returned, decorated and rejuvenated, from his trip to the Vaterland. He is carrying out the idea with the Hawaiian band.

The band has thirty new instruments and Capt. Berger confided this morning why the brightly shining horns and other noise-producers have not been allowed to make their debut. "Aah! Der horns are all the same as new-born babes," said the veteran kapellmeister. "They must be given the right kind of development to start with. We must break them up on good music. For a week already I have had my men playing on them, to produce the right tones, yes. Pretty soon they are started right, then we play. Maybe next week."

To start the new-born babes of the band aright, Capt. Berger is giving a course in high-brow music. Wagner, Beethoven, Schumann, an occasional dash of Sousa to lend the swing and spirit, Strauss and other eminent composers, are being fed into the band instruments. He has sternly forbidden such low-brow stuff as "Everybody's Doing It," and he would as soon think of feeding a month-old babe green mangoes and plug tobacco as of allowing the new instruments to get a taste of "Alexander's Ragtime Band." The "Oceana Roll" and other phenomena of the rag-picker's art are kept sternly out of sight, and the musical junk pile is absolutely forbidden as a playground for the youngsters.

One of the new instruments, a slide trombone had a very narrow escape over Sunday. A member of the band who had apparently been attending the theater on Saturday night, tried to give the baby trombone a die-

Situation In Balkans Engrosses Attention Of Legislators—Leaders Believe United States May Be Called Upon To Inter- vene In Case Of Outbreak Between The Great Powers Over Partition Of Terri- tory Relinquished By Turkey—Appro- priations Probably Only Measures Un- dertaken At Short Term

[Associated Press Cable]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—Congress assembled here today for the short session. There was little or no excitement, and the chief topic of conversation among the solons appeared to be the Balkan war, and the possibility that the United States may be drawn into the European embroglio. This is regarded, however, as so slight, as to be unworthy of any serious consideration.

The Democrats appear to have dropped all talk of a cutting of the tariff during the current session, as they all seem to feel the time at their disposal is too short to permit of any really effective work in that direction. It is thought that the only serious work of the present session will be on the necessary appropriation bills, unless indeed President Taft insists upon certain of the reforms he has been fighting for, going through before he quits his office.

Supreme Court Dissolves Merger

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—The United States Supreme Court today dissolved the merger of the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific roads. The decision handed down holds that law provides against one railroad owning stock of a competitor, and that, as the two roads, parties to the suit, are naturally competitors, save through the ownership of stock control, by the Southern Pacific, that the laws have been violated and orders the combination dissolved.

Union Secretary Quits His Post

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, December 2.—Hocking, secretary of the International Structural Iron Workers and Bridge Builders' Union, and one of the prominent figures in the dynamite disclosures, has resigned his post with the union, following the revelations made by Orin E. McManigal, with which Hocking's name was intimately connected.

Four of the defendants in the cases now awaiting trial have been released by the government owing to lack of evidence to connect them with the dynamiting outrages.

Pug Knows Where Girl Hides

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, Dec. 2.—Jack Johnson, the champion pugilist of the world admitted here today that he knows where Lucille Cameron is hiding and that he is willing to marry her if it "can be arranged." The girl's mother has again refused to take any steps toward the recovery of her daughter.

Ideal Homesteads On Big Island Open Soon

Several thousand acres of virgin soil, offering ideal conditions in every way for the white American homesteader, are to be thrown open for settlement by the territory in the near future on the island of Hawaii, and Commissioner Joshua Tucker probably will leave Wednesday for the Big Island to go over the tract, determining what portion of it will be available as practicable farming land, and to ascertain tentatively what size the homesteading lots shall have.

This is the Pupukea tract at Wailua, which has been leased for years to the Parker ranch and which reverts to the territory about the middle of next year. It has an elevation of 3000 feet above sea level, is slightly rolling, and is open, deep soil, without jungle, timber or stones, and for years has been used only as grazing lands for the herds of cattle and horses of the Parker estate that have foamed over its vast expanse.

Its climate is mild, yet not that of a tropical or semitropical land, and too chill for the successful growth of cane, pineapples or the usual Hawaiian cereals or fruits. It appears especially adapted however to the growth of corn, wheat or other small grain such as is grown in the middle western states of the mainland, and will not require irrigation or the employment of a lot of cheap labor.

It is on the road between Honokaa and the Parker ranch headquarters at Kamuela, and Secretary of the Interior Fisher passed over it on his tour of the Big Island last September. Just how much of it may be opened for successful farming is unknown at present, but at least several thousand acres will be available. Such is the opinion of Governor Stearman. The remainder of the tract may be used for grazing, because it extends into the mountains and is too rough for tilling.

Another feature that will make it particularly desirable is that the Hualaia belt road will pass through it, and the contract for the resection of this macadam highway through the Puukapu section already has been let to the builders.

All that portion desirable for homesteading will be cut up and given out to the homesteaders early in the coming year, so that the new farmers may move onto it just as soon as the Parker ranch's lease expires.

J. H. Coney, who was re-elected as a member of the House of Representatives from Kauai, will soon gain the name of the "onion magnate." Just now he has about eight acres of land cultivated with the best variety of the onion seeds imported from California. Coney, seen by a representative of the Star-Bulletin who visited the thirteenth island recently, said that he hoped to make a success in his new adventure. Coney, assisted by a large force of Japanese farmers is constantly "at work" in his farm from the early morning to sunset.

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